



1996 reunion honors veterans

Augusta Military Academy's alumni honored their fellow cadets, who wore America's military uniforms during post-World War II conflicts, during the 1996 AMA Alumni Reunion at the Holiday Inn Golf and Conference Center in Staunton.

The largest alumni turnout in many years saw a musical pageant in tribute to AMA alumni who served during the Korean and Vietnam Wars, and Desert Storm. Cadets who served during those conflicts led the salute: **Clyde Ramsey, '49**, the Korean War; **Alex Wattay, '53**, the Vietnam War; and **Steve Trent, '70**, Desert Storm.

Founder's Day

Founder's Day was celebrated once more at the Old Stone Church Cemetery. **Linda Roller Livick**, granddaughter of **General Roller**, and wife of **Colonel**

Mal Livick, led the ceremonies. Echo taps sounded across the church grounds, followed by a single cannon salute, after AMA Chaplain **Bill Gray, '37**, read the names of Augusta alumni who had passed away since the 1995 reunion. An alumni color guard stood by.

Many alumni visited the school buildings and grounds, but concerns about the condition of the buildings kept cadets from climbing the tower to visit their old rooms. A new American flag, presented to the school's owners by the Alumni Association, flew from the tower pole.

Enormous turnout creates nice problems

The big turnout created some difficulties which **Gary Nicholson, '70**, Alumni Association President, said were "*nice problems to have*." So many people turned up for the Friday night dinner at the Country Club of Staunton that some two dozen could not be served. "*We will be sure we have enough seats next year*," said Nicholson.

Classes from 1935 through 1983 were represented, with a great turnout by the Class of 1971 for their 25th Anniversary. Several faculty members attended functions, including **Mal Livick**, **Will Parkins, '35**, **Bob Hart**, **Tim Mannasmith**, and **Joe Josephson**.

Elections held

Alumni Association Officers were re-elected for a one year term: President **Gary Nicholson, '70**; Vice President **Bob Bradford, '50**; Secretary **Clyde Ramsey, '49**; Treasurer **Ed Click, '50**; and Chaplain **Bill Gray, '37**. Four new Board members also were elected: **Garry Granger, '71**, **V.P. Leavel, '39**, **Alex Wattay, '53**, and **Rod Willey, '51**. Both Leavel and Willey previously served on the board.

A conference room at the Shenandoah Valley Regional Airport was dedicated to **Jack Manch, '38**. Manch was one of the Doolittle raiders who bombed Tokyo in World War II. He died in 1958, as he struggled to keep his crippled plane from striking houses on the ground, near Las Vegas.



Clyde Ramsey, '49, leads the salute to AMA cadets who were in the military during the Korean War. The occasion was the Saturday night banquet at the 1996 AMA Alumni Reunion in Staunton.

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Augusta Military Academy Alumni Association, Inc.

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Dear Fellow Alumnus:

If you were there, it is pointless for me to embellish the spectacular. Our 1996 AMA Reunion was an enormous success, however you decide to measure it.

First, it was the biggest reunion in many years. Our banquet hall was packed on Saturday, and the crowd on Friday night overwhelmed the Country Club facilities. I regret that some of the late-comers had to dine elsewhere Friday evening. We'll be ready for you next year!

The salutes to the Augusta heroes of the Korean and Vietnam War, and of Desert Storm, were exactly what they should have been - sincere, thankful, proud, and, for many of us, emotional. The thankless sacrifices of so many of AMA's young men have now been acknowledged in our *bona fide*, yet hopelessly deficient, way. There were many vets of these conflicts who were attending their first AMA Reunion.

The Founder's Day ceremonies reminded us of our Augusta heritage. It is always good to see **Linda and Mal Livick**. The visits to the school were light and warm, yet darkly hopeless. The golfers had good weather for it; the shoppers found their usual bargains. The hospitality room may have run low on ice, but never on warmth. And, most of all, we were all together again - each of us blessed by being a part of something wonderful - the Augusta Military Academy family.

K. Gary Nicholson, '70

President, AMA Alumni Association, Inc.



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Letters to the Editor VMI Cadets say thanks

Thank you for the scholarship help from the AMA Alumni Association. This has eased the burden on my family...

My home town is West Point, Va, where I live with my Grandmother. My current major is history, but I have applied for the International Studies Program here at the Institute. My ultimate goal is to attend law school, and perhaps go into politics. But first, I will take a commission in the Army, or work for the federal government in law enforcement.

I am very fortunate to be a VMI cadet... I feel honored to be a part of the brotherhood. I am especially proud of our Honor System... The bonds I have made here with my Brother Rats will remain throughout our lives, and that is something very rare.

Brian T. Neale

Lexington, Virginia



Drive to do better

Thank you for the scholarship. I am a Third Class Civil Engineering major at VMI with hopes of becoming a Marine Corps officer.

I am a corporal in Alpha Company, and next year I hope to move up the hill and become a battalion sergeant major. My academics are going fairly well, but sometimes my priorities are not right. Luckily, I can drive to do better!

Christopher Michael Floom

Lexington, Virginia



Another year has passed

Another year has passed at VMI, and I'd like to thank AMA again for the financial support these past three years of my cadetship.

I would like to thank all of the AMA family for the encouragement and support you have given to me. Your help has given me the opportunity to advance and ready myself for the next necessary step in life... in the "real world."

Will Martin

Lexington, Virginia

Class Notes \ Class Notes \ Class Notes

1930

Fred Clark spent many years with Black and Decker, and lived in South America after World War II. He now lives in a Philadelphia suburb. Thanks to **Admiral Joe Yon**, '30, for this information.

1932

Sinc Adam, of West Chester, PA, retired as an architect seven years ago. *"I had my 81st birthday last December, so figured I should quit while I'm still ahead!"* After AMA, he attended Penn State, then the Wharton School where he got his MBA. Sinc is one of five brothers to attend AMA: **John**, '29, who died in '89; **James**, '30, who died in '83; **George "Winnie"**, '35 (See 1935, below); **William**, '40 (see 1940, below); and Sinc.

Captain Ben Chiswell, USCG, Retired, recently received the distinguished service award from his Kiwanis Club in Lake San Marcos, CA. Ben and Dorothy attended the Chiswell family reunion in Maryland/Washington, DC the end of May. On June 30, their son, Ben III, completes 30 years of service with the Coast Guard, also retiring as a Captain.

1935

George Edwin "Winnie" Adam retired in 1982 and lives in League City, TX. A chemical engineer graduate of Lehigh University, he spent most of his career with Kerr-McGee in Mississippi.

1936

Sam Jordan and fourteen mem-

bers of his family will gather at Nagshead, NC for a family reunion June 15. His old World War II unit - the 71st Tactical Recon Group, USAF - will have their reunion in August in Sam's hometown, Colorado Springs. He says he's looking forward to the Astra reunion in October in Lexington, where two of his sons attended VMI.



George Leatherman, '39, beams with pride as he and his family hear the announcement that his grandson has won the 1996 AMA Legacy Scholarship. See story on page 7.

1938

Larry Kurtz checks in from Punta Gorda, FL to say that he missed the reunion because he was in California visiting his son, while wife Jill visited her family in Ireland. They'll head for the North Carolina mountains in June. e-mail at LARRY-1@worldnet.att.net

1940

Bruce Krysiak and his son are opening an American supermarket in Russia. Working with Giant Foods in Washington, DC, the Krysiaks will build the 100,000 square foot store in Vladivostok, on the Russian Pacific coast. Bruce formerly was an executive

with Arden Mayfair, Loblaw of Toronto, and National Tea. He lives in Highlands Ranch, CO.

William Louis Adam is a retired petroleum engineer, living in Midland, TX. He served in the US Air Force in the Italian campaign in World War II, and got his MS from the University of Michigan in 1947.

1941

Michael Elliott writes to us from Auburn, CA that he served in the USAF in both Korea and Vietnam.

Victor Dalmas was in the 322nd Infantry in the South Pacific in World War II, and with the 7th Infantry in Korea. He also was with Special Forces in Vietnam. He retired as a lieutenant colonel.

1942

John Minor writes from Mount Vernon, OH that he has retired from the Board of Directors of

First-Knox National Bank "after a great 37 years. Spent a glorious vacation in Puerto Rico. This year, I feel great about everything!"

1943

Herb McCawley took a six-week trip to New Zealand and Australia last fall, including a balloon ride over Alice Springs and a 3½ day train trip from Sydney to Adelaide, and on to Perth. He lives in Indian Harbour Beach, FL.

John Jansing and Flora continue to "enjoy life in Hobe Sound, FL, with summers spent in Harbor Springs, Michigan." Their first grandchild - a girl - was born last

September, "and is a total joy to all of the family!"

Chris Harrison writes from Chestertown, MD that he enjoys doing substitute teaching of history, French, Spanish, and English. His son is at Northeastern University in Boston, and is making all A's.

Jack Sarricks and his wife, Ann, have just taken a cruise through the Canadian Maritimes. They recently toured Lapland and Finland, visiting both St. Petersburg and Moscow, ending with a week-long tour of the Volga River. Jack lives in Pensacola, FL.

1944

Harry Hamilton is retired, and lives in Atlanta. He has three children and a grandchild. His brother, **Elbert**, '42, was killed in World War II. His brother, **Tom**, '49, passed away in 1991. Harry's father, **Frank**, '09, saw to it that both of his sons attended Augusta. During WW II, Harry was in General Patton's Third Army.

1945

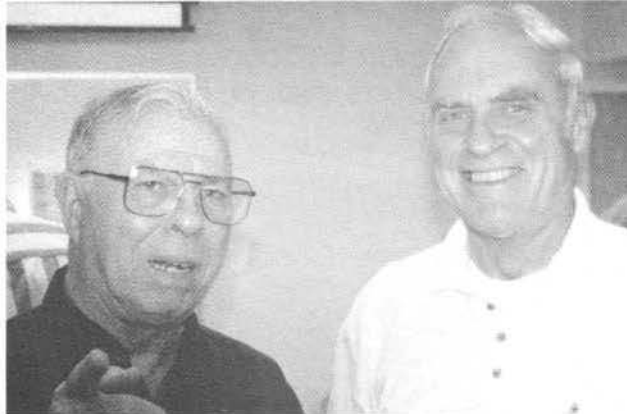
Ray "Shorty" Long attended his wife's 50th high school reunion in Norfolk in May. Ray and Nancy enjoyed having their daughters, sons-in-law, and grandchildren from Spokane and Minneapolis back home for a Christmas reunion. The Longs live in Peoria, AZ, and plan to spend a month this summer in Utah.

1946

John Jackson retired from DuPont in 1984 after a career in R&D in explosives. He and Mary Ann have been married since 1947, and they have two children. Their daughter is a teacher at the University of North Carolina, and their son is a mechanical engineering graduate of NC State.

The Jacksons live in Summit Point, WV.

George Snarr retired from law practice March 1 after 43 years. George lives in Winchester where "I am battling cancer with cautious optimism." Good luck, George.



Jim Chezem, '48, and Bill Rand, '47, enjoy the hospitality room at the 1996 Augusta Reunion.

Dave Brewer is happily retired in Pawleys Island, SC where he is still active in the life insurance business. "I'm learning computer stuff, playing golf, active in my church, and in good health."

Dick Andrews has sold his florist shop in Baltimore, and retired. Dick and Hanne-Liese celebrated their 43rd Anniversary in May. Son, Theodore, is with the government, and son, Peter, is in the education department of the San Diego Zoo. Dick says, "...the class prophecy had me teaching at Augusta. The closest I came was being on the Board of the Maryland School for the Blind..."

1947

Clark Campbell visited the school in mid-April, and wrote to say that he found it "depressing. I went to my old rooms 128 and 340... I was re-

mindful of an Old West ghost town." Clark sends *The Bayonet* his new e-mail address: CCampb6697@aol.com

John Herring just returned from three weeks in Italy, and a month in the United Kingdom.

1948

Jim Shively has represented IBM for 35 years. He received his BS from Georgia Tech in 1954, and was a First Lieutenant in the US Marines during the Korean War. He lives in Ferrum, VA.

Jim Chezem (left) is with Innovations Unlimited, Inc. in Tallahassee, FL, where he conceives, patents and develops new products. After he graduated from the University of Florida, Jim

went to Korea as a Second Lieutenant. He left the Army for a while, but went back to serve on the Army General Staff at the Pentagon, and at NATO/SHAPE. He retired as a lieutenant colonel, disabled by the injuries he incurred in Korea. Last June, he had successful triple bypass surgery.

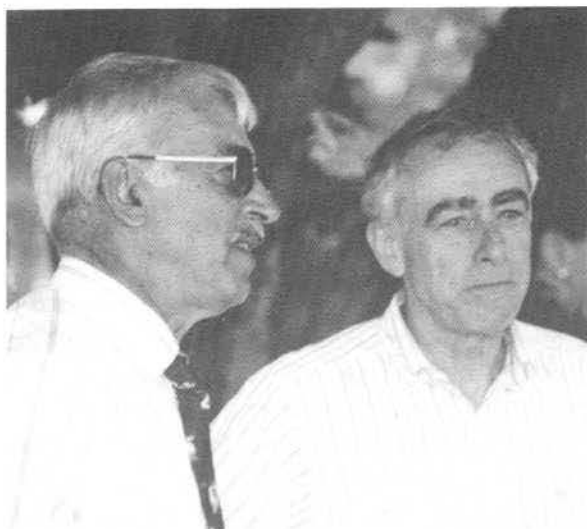
Bob Graber retired from AT&T at the end of 1989. At AT&T, he had the responsibility for installing equipment in San Francisco and Hawaii. His wife is an artist, and

J.B. Simmons, '47, has sent *The Bayonet* a sort of want ad:

"Wanted: Retirement position for senior citizen, currently running small vending machine business in Tulsa, that employs three retirees who have refused to stop working (they like the peanuts!). This applicant has interest in travel (must have a minimum of one trip a year back to Virginia), and a strong addiction to satisfied creditors. If you have such a position open, please contact J.B. Simmons."

they exhibit at many art and wine festivals in California. They live in Cupertino, CA. Bob was a Staff Sergeant in the USAF during the Korean War. His e-mail: PKRX17A@Prodigy.com

Frank Scott, Jr. was in the insurance business in Bedford, VA for 30 years. He and his wife, Nancy, have three sons. Frank went to Randolph-Macon after AMA. He was life guarding at Virginia Beach when the Korean War began. He joined the Navy and served on an aircraft carrier. He returned to RMC where he received a BA in sociology and economics. He remembers that **John Larus, '48**, was Captain of C Company.



Alex Wattay and Lew Muddin, both from the Class of '53, at the Founder's Day ceremonies in the Old Stone Church cemetery.

Paul Bratton relates that the spring floods took out the bridge to their house in Millboro, VA. They had lots of damage to fences and property. Paul's wife, Ruby, has been in remission from cancer for five years. Good news! Paul, Jr. is in Alaska; John and David work for Fisher Auto. And son Mike is a Sergeant/squad leader in the Joint Security Force at Soto Cano Air Base in Honduras. Mike's family remained at Fort Bragg.

1949

Chuck Pine still lives in Winchester, and has been in real estate since 1975. Before that, he was in the automobile business. Chuck spent two years in the Army, most of it in Germany. He'd like any AMA alumnus passing through Winchester to stop by Pine Realty, located at 2224 Wilson Boulevard.

John Morris retired the first of the year, and is living in the Chapel Hill, NC area. *"For the first time in my life, I'm living in a house younger than I am, where toilets flush when you press the lever, the gas bill is less than \$40 a month, and someone else cuts the grass."* John says that when he tires of this, he can take refuge at his farm sixty miles away, or in a cottage at Pawleys Island, SC. *"I once thought Number 5 in the Tower was a desirable location, but this is somewhat better!"*

Frank Spencer plans another Methodist church mission trip to Mexico in July. *"My group will go back to the town we visited in 1994. We made lots of friends down there, and we are eager to see them again."*

1950

Bill Hill lives in Greenville, NC. He is the city planner for Ayden, NC nearby. He and Joy have been married for 40 years. Their son is an attorney in Greenville, and they have two grandchildren. Bill was

Ron Mahanes, '53, still giving

Ron Mahanes, '53, former President of the AMA Alumni Association, still contributes to Augusta.

Ron passed away last July after a long illness. He was what his Mother calls, *"a Harley-Davidson man."* Ron was President of a Harley group in Greenville, SC, and was a member of the Orange County, VA Harley Club as well.

Each organization has had an annual poker run to raise money for a particular charity. Ron's Mother, Virginia, has asked both organizations to *"raise money this year for AMA's Legacy Scholarship program, in Ron's memory."*

formerly Executive Director of the International Downtown Executives Association, and managed Downtown Roanoke, Inc., and the Lakeland, FL downtown development program before moving to North Carolina.

John Duffey and Aileen have just celebrated their 42nd anniversary. They live in Plantation, FL. John was sent to Florida by the Navy in the Korean War, and never left the state. He graduated from the University of Florida, and then worked for Pfizer Pharmaceuticals for 31 years before retiring in 1993. The Duffeys have two grown children and four grandchildren.

1951

Dan Yellott is a building contractor in Reisterstown, MD, where he has lived for the past 46 years. He and Margaret have three daughters and seven grandchildren. Dan says, *"I ski, play tennis, and play a little golf whenever I can."*

1952

J. M. "Bip" Carstarphen and his wife, Catherine, live in McAdenville, just outside Charlotte, NC, where Bip is CEO of a textile company which manufactures for the automobile industry. They have three children and five grandchildren. Bip says he has two hobbies - golf and work! He

graduated from UNC in the Class of 1956.

Tom Mitchell retired in May from the Virginia Department of Highways, after 40 years. He says he is enjoying gardening, model railroading, and vacations.

1953

Terry Duval has been in financial related sales and management for 35 years in Florida and Virginia. He has five children: John, senior computer analyst with GE in Atlanta; Tom, stockbroker in Virginia Beach; Joe, buggie-boarder and college student; Mollie, freshman at the University of Florida; and Julia, freshman at St. Catherine's School, Richmond. He sees **Manuel Balbis**, **Lewis Mundin**, **John Carter** and **John Fox**, all from '53, from time to time. He also had dinner recently with **Whit Sessom's** widow, and met Whit's son and daughter.

Oswald "Coyote" Ferro writes from Hialeah, FL, that he and **Eddy Fernandez**, '53, both were involved in the Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba. He hasn't seen Eddy since. He gave us the sad news that **Ramon Castella**, '52, passed away in 1982. Coyote retired from the City of Miami Beach after 20 years, and now works for Metro-Dade County Public Works as a project manager. He plans to retire in November. He and his wife have a daughter, and an 11-year-old grandson.

Juan Santalo is a CPA, doing business in Coral Gables, FL.

1955

Ken Purks owns a company that investigates and reconstructs aircraft accidents. He and Elaine live in Centerville, VA. Ken spent 27 years in the Army, retiring as a full colonel in 1991. He served three

tours in Vietnam, one flying Otters, and the other two, piloting Cobras. His last four years on active duty were spent as Deputy Project Manager for tests of the AH-64 Attack Helicopter. e-mail address: KenPurks@aol.com

...I am still single, just waiting for Diane Mitchell from Stuart Hall to call.

1956

Bob Mariner is ill at his home in Cuyahoga Falls, OH. We're pulling for you, Bob!

Dr. James Mahanes is a vascular surgeon in Pickens, SC. He practices at Cannon, Clemson, and Baptist Hospitals. Jim is married and has four children. Jim is the brother of the late **Ron Mahanes**, '53, who passed away last year.

1958

Hal Dillon is Supervisor for telephone systems in the Division of Environmental Protection for the State of West Virginia. Hal attended Marshall University, and has worked for the State for 35 years. He and his wife, Judith, live in Charleston.

James Yates taught English for 28½ years in Lockport, NY. He suffered a serious stroke in 1992, then retired in 1995 "with all my faculties." Jim and Carol have been married 30 years, and they have three children. After dropping out of UVa, he joined the Army where he became a jungle warfare expert. He went back to college, and finished at the University of Buffalo, later getting a masters at Canisius. Jim writes "I still think the world of **Duke Fancher**." Duke is recovering from cancer.

1959

Charles "Zeke" Zehmer, Jr. retired after 34 years in the real estate business in Norfolk. Zeke has been seeing **Buddy Krise**, '57, and **Bill Jaeger**, '58, at an AMA breakfast group that meets monthly in Virginia Beach.

1960

Flavius Marchant is a 34-year Postal Service employee in Kernersville, NC. He has three step-daughters, two of whom work for US Air. Last year, this connection gave the family free flights to England and Scotland. This year, they'll go to Germany, Belgium, and France. Flavius has two hobbies: computers and amateur radio. e-mail: flaviusm@nr.infi.net

Luke Snyder recently travelled from Charlotte, NC to visit with **Elliott "Corky" Ridge**, '59, and Hope, in Hillsville, VA.

1961

Bob Yerkey is a CPA and an Assistant Professor at Hiram College in Hiram, OH. He and Doris, a schoolteacher, have three children - Michael, 20; Bobby, 18; and Jason, 15. (Mike won the 1995 AMA Legacy Scholarship, and is in the Norwich University Corps of Cadets) After leaving Augusta, Bob lived in Bogota, Columbia, and Mexico City (a year each), before working in the lumber industry in Ohio and Florida.

Claiborne Willcox, Jr. writes from Vinton, VA, that he hopes to get back into the fund raising business. He was in Vietnam twice - "First, with the Navy, and not a scratch. The second time, with the Red Cross, and I was wounded where I sit..." **Jim Crawford**, '61, and I managed a rousing weekend together in Quang Tri..."

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Albert Leatherman wins AMA Legacy Scholarship

Albert Roy Leatherman, III, the grandson of **George Leatherman, '39**, has won the 1996 \$1,000 AMA Legacy Scholarship.

Albert, of Moorefield, WV, earned all A's to rank first in his high school class of 81. He scored 1580 on his SAT's (800 in verbal and 780 in math), and is a National Merit Finalist.

Albert was one of fifteen West Virginia students selected for a three-week cultural tour of Russia. He won second place in the International Space, Science and Math Olympiad in Kaliningrad, and was the first American ever to compete.

He plans to attend Williams College in Massachusetts in September, pursuing a degree in American studies. Then, on to medical school.

Tribute to his grandfather

Albert's father died when he was seven-years-old. Since then, Albert says that "Poppy" - George Leatherman - "served as a father figure to me... At AMA, Poppy received a

special award for sportsmanship when, in the boxing ring, he helped the official make a fair call which did not benefit Poppy...

He has inspired me to be true to myself...

(His) love and example have



AMA Alumni Association President Gary Nicholson, '70, right, presents the 1996 AMA Legacy Scholarship to Albert Roy Leatherman, III, left.

shaped me into a better person."

Albert wrote of his grandson: "He makes me proud every single day. His commitment to leave the world a better place than he found it is very much in the Augusta tradition."

Albert led the West Virginia Youth Conservation program, an organization of 70,000 young people. Through his Eagle Scout work, he initiated an ongoing community recycling program. He received one of only three North American grants from Wesleyan

University to construct a local yard-waste composting facility.

An eleven year member of 4H, Albert served in a number of leadership positions. He has campaigned door to door in support of a school bond issue, and was a student leader in Campus Life (Youth for Christ). At his school, he is senior class president, and he serves on the student council. He has been a volunteer tutor for the last six months.

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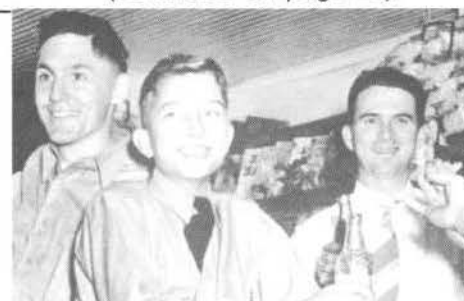
Alumni help identify mystery cadets

In the March *Bayonet*, we ran three photos in which we could not identify the cadets pictured. Thanks to the dozens of alumni who responded with their ideas on who these "mystery cadets" are.

Fourteen AMA Alumni identified the cadet standing guard over Big Boy as **Ronnie Sanderson**, of the Class of 1964.



These two cadets with Fort owner Herb Hulvey, center, are thought to be **Jack Varner, '53**, of Staunton (left), and **Herb Albaugh**, a new cadet in 1950, whose present whereabouts are unknown to the AMA Alumni Association.



Quite a few alumni identified these two cadets pictured with AMA PX Manager Bill Crawford. At left is **Gatewood Sibley, '53**, who now lives in Santa Barbara, CA, and in the center is **Ed Daugherty, '56**, who lives in Gulfport, MS.

In the March issue, we asked about a plaque in front of the gym, placed in honor of **Bruce Haynes, '55**, who died in 1958. We learned that Bruce was a great Augusta athlete - football, baseball, and swimming. And that he died of cancer well before his time. Alumni and cadets chipped in to purchase the plaque, which was dedicated by Bruce's mother in 1959 or 1960.

THE 1996 AUGUSTA MILITARY ACADEMY ALUMNI REUNION



Cole Sandridge, '52, and Will Parkins, '35, discuss old times. Will was on the AMA staff from 1946 until retiring in 1978.



Alumni and wives sign up for AMA memorabilia at the silent auction on Saturday night, outside the banquet room.



Paul Bratton, '48, chats with I. H. Baker of Staunton, one of the new owners of AMA. Baker attended the Saturday night banquet, and said that he and co-owner Kennard Campbell have yet to decide what they will do with the school and the school grounds, which they bought at auction last October.



Bill Gray, '37, AMA Chaplain, reads the Taps list during Founder's Day ceremonies. To the rear is Gary Nicholson, '70, Association President.



Jim Councill, '49, mans the registration desk.

Class Notes (from page 6)

Mike Lobalzo is President of Harry Lobalzo & Sons, an agent for Hobart equipment, in Bath, OH. Mike married Jeanne Febre, whom he dated while at AMA. They have a daughter, Julie, 19, and a son, Michael, 23. Mike spent Christmas week, 1995, with **Bob Yerkey**, visiting friends and relatives from Ohio to Florida.

Art Hurme writes that he and his brother, **Veikko, '63**, served in the Navy during Vietnam. You can e-mail Art at art.hurme@inet.hq.usace.army.mil

1962

Russell Smith served in the 6th Special Forces Group, US Army, during the Vietnam War. Russell lives in Reston, VA.

Bob Ray is Director of Operations for CMI Industries in Twinsburg, OH. He spent 27 years with Goodyear in Akron, where he still lives with his wife, Carol. They have two sons - Scott, 26, and Brian, 23. Scott graduated from South Carolina, and Brian from Ohio University. Bob majored in finance and accounting at Marshall.

1963

Robbie Rhodes lives in Winchester with his wife, Lanette, and two daughters. He is a pharmacist with Rite Aid. He races cars (with SCCA), and boats on the Bay. Lanette is a clinical educator in the Winchester Medical Center operating room. Robbie served in the Army Medical Corps as a Medi-Vac officer in the Vietnam War, and says he has *"not been in a chopper since, and I hope I never have to again."* e-mail address: R1Racer@aol.com

Johnny Hipp is a restaurant man-



Lieutenant Colonel Steve Trent, '70, speaks on behalf of all AMA alumni who served during Desert Storm, at the 1996 Reunion.

ager in Phoenix, AZ, for the Pointe Hilton at Squaw Peak. He has a real estate license and is selling homes on the side. Johnny says he has been in touch with **Rex Miller, '65**, and is *"still single, just waiting for Diane Mitchell from Stuart Hall to call."*

1965

Joseph Peyton Lea, III is a practicing attorney in Orlando. He has a seven-year-old son, plus two older children, 16 and 23. He's recently been to the Bahamas, San Francisco, and Vancouver, WA, and would like to hear from

other cadets from his era. e-mail: jpl@magicnet.net

1966

Frank Spofford is a ski pro with the Aspen Ski Company in Aspen, CO. In the summers, he operates a lawn care company there. Frank was in Vietnam 1969-70, serving in the Army. He says, *"I never wanted to be a millionaire. I just want to live like one!"*

1967

David Hope of Richmond is a Command Pilot with the Virginia Department of Aviation. He had three tours to Vietnam in air anti-submarine warfare. David and Karen have a son, Alan Michael. e-mail address:

Av8DBH@aol.com

John Botcheller will soon be back in the U.S. after seven years in Singapore. John is Citibank's CFO for retail business in Europe and the States, and his new office will be in Chicago. Nancy, whom he met at AMA, and John, will be celebrating their 25th Anniversary this month. Christine, 21, just graduated from the University of Hartford; John Paul, 19, is finishing his freshman year at Bentley College; Karen, 16, and Elizabeth, 11, have completed the 10th and *(continued on page 12)*

Steve Pearson, '72, finds it's a small world

Steve Pearson, '72, of Bradenton, FL, has discovered that there are Augusta Military Academy alumni almost everywhere.

Steve suffered a heart attack in January. He had been vice president of two companies which manufacture packaging machinery, and he gave up one of his jobs to reduce his stress and his workload.

Steve hired a new salesman, and they hit it off from the start. On a sales call in North Carolina, Steve and his new employee compared personal notes over lunch, and Steve mentioned that he had attended a military prep school in Virginia. And, so had his lunch guest!

It turns out that Steve's new employee is **Alvin "Butch" Clark, '71**, who was in the Band Company when Steve was a cadet at AMA! Steve went home, opened his *Recall*, and found Butch's picture! While, obviously, they didn't recognize each other initially, Steve says he and Butch have been busily reminiscing ever since they discovered they are both Augusta men.



Augusta men who served during the Korean and Vietnam Wars, Desert Storm, and other actions

KOREAN WAR SERVICE

Between 6/27/50 and 1/31/55*

Aldrich, Captain William, '48 - USA
Andes, James M., '36 - USA (d)
Andrews, Richard, '46 - USA
Beard, Colonel Rutland, '42 - USA
Bratton, Paul H., '48 - USA
Brown, Edward M., '41 - USA (d)
Caudill, Robert, '45 - USA
Chezem, Lieutenant Jim, '48 - USA
Chiswell, Captain Benjamin, '32 - USCG
Christy, Lieutenant Colonel James, Faculty
Cleek, Russell, '48 - USAF
Click, Lieutenant Edwin F., '50 - USA
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Click, D. Ernest, Jr., '48 - USMC
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Dalmas, Lieutenant Colonel Victor P., Jr, '41 - USA
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Gibbs, Gerald G., '47 - USMA
Gill, Rudy, '51 - USA
Grabner, Staff Sergeant Bob, '48 - USAF
Grace, Nat, '46 - USA
Grace, Colonel William, '50 - USA
Guffey, Colonel H. '48 - USAF
Hanson, Colonel E.W.H., '30 - USA (d)
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Herring, Lieutenant John, '47 - USAF
Hodges, Captain King Edward, '41 - USN (d)
Hope, Colonel Harley, '47 - USAF
Huff, Rodgers, '50 - USMC
Huntsberry, Jim, '51 - USA
Izenberg, Jerry, '47 - USA (Stars & Stripes)
Jones, Colonel G.W., '23 - USAF (d)
Jordan, Colonel Samuel, '36 - USAF
Kinnie, Lieutenant Colonel Irvin Gray, '49 - USA
Knox, Robert, '51 - USA
Kunc, Lieutenant Colonel Fred, '52 - USAF
Kurtz, Captain L.A., '38 - USN
Lake, Rear Admiral Julian, '40 - USN
Lane, James R., '49 - USA, USN, USMC, USCG
Larrick, Donald, '46 - USA
Leavel, First Sergeant V.P., '39 - USA
Lepper, Colonel Lewis, '47 - USA
Lora, Thad, '48 - USA

Lora, Winston, '49 - USAF
Lowenbach, Robert L., '53 - USA
Lynch, Colonel John, '47 - USMC, USAF
Mackey, James, '44 - USA
MacEwan, Colonel Clarence, '39 - USA
Mahanes, Ron, '53 - USA (d)
Mendelsohn, John, '68 - USAF
Messick, Roger, '52 - USA
Mitchell, Major Robert J., '39 - USAF (d)
Moran, Kenneth, '50 - USA
Neal, Captain George I., '38 - USA
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Parker, Ralph M., '51 - UNK
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Phillips, Thomas M., '47 - USA
Pigg, Colonel Jimmy, '46 - USA
Pine, Charles, '49 - USA
Price, Parham Thomas, '50 - USAF (d)
Ragsdale, James, '49 - USMC
Ramsey, Clyde H., '49 - USA
Ramsey, CWO (W-4) Gardner, '48 - USA
Rand, William, '48 - USA
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Sellers, Sergeant Bill, '48 - USA
Shillinglaw, Ron, '50 - Seabee (d)
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Simmons, Thomas B., '53 - USA
Simpson, Robert S., '49 - USA (d)
Snarr, George G., Jr., '46 - USA
Spilman, Robert, '45 - USA
Starnes, Captain James, '50 - USAF
Starr, Sergeant Charles "Hap" - USAF
Thomas, Fred, '45 - USMC/Diplomatic Corps
Thomas, Colonel W.N., '44 - USA
Tighe, Lieutenant Colonel Thomas, '36 - USMC (d)
Trinkle, Lee, '53 - USA
Walters, Lieutenant Hal, '48 - USN
Wasco, Colonel Joseph, '41 - USA
Willey, Rod O., '51 - USA
Winn, John, '47 - USAF (d)
Woodward, Ed, '51 - USA
Yellott, Sergeant Dan, '51 - USA
Yon, Rear Admiral Joseph, '30 - USN

VIETNAM WAR SERVICE

Between 8/5/64 and 5/7/75*

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Babione, Lieutenant Colonel Bill, '56 - USA
Beard, Captain Benjamin W., '65 - USA
Beard, Colonel Rutland, '42 - USA
Bennett, L. Gordon, Jr, '66 - USA, USAF

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 Blake, Tom P., '62 - USA
 Brooks, William, '62 - USA
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 Calvert, Lieutenant Colonel Russell, '61 - USA
 Campbell, Second Lieutenant Harry, '70 - USA
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 Crozier, Robert, '70 - USAF
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 Gibbs, Charles, '69 - USMC
 Gibbs, Gerald, '47 - USA
 Grace, Colonel William, '50 - USA
 Guffey, Colonel H. R., '48 - USA
 Hipp, Johnny, '63 - USA
 Hodges, Captain King Edward, '41 - USN (d)
 Hope, David B., '67 - USN
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 Hume, Gray, '57 - USA (d)
 Hurme, Arthur, '61 - USN
 Hurme, Veikko, '63 - USN (d)
 Ikenberg, Ron, '68 - USMC
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 Walton, Robert, '65 - USAF
 Ward, Carl K., '64 - USA
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 Wattay, Commander Alexander, '53 - USN
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 Westbrook, Purnell, '60 - USAF
 Whitlinger, Robert, '64 - USMC
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8/2/90 to present*

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Fred Welch is a data center supervisor at Lockheed-Martin. He lives in Fairfax, VA. Fred served in the Navy in the Vietnam War.

Lynwood Pannel is a software developer for ADC. He lives in Harrisonburg. Lynwood also was in the Navy during Vietnam.

1968

Richard Skelley is in home construction in the Roanoke area. He served in the US Coast Guard during the Vietnam War.

1969

Tom Phillips lives in Chula Vista, CA, a suburb of San Diego. He served in Vietnam, flying helicopter gunships for the Navy, the only

squadron of its kind in the history of the Navy. The unit won a Presidential Unit Citation; Tom was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, plus other citations. He has bumped into another AMA alumnus in his hometown - **Jerry Dawson, '63**. The e-mail address for Tom: tphilip@nunic.nu.edu

1970

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1972

Richard Whitaker operates three

veterinary practices; two in New England and one in New Brunswick, Canada. He plans to curtail his responsibilities somewhat, by closing down his Canadian office and downsizing his U.S. business. Richard recently married again. Johanna is from Holland, and operates a farmers' exchange program. The Whitakers are going to Europe for a three week vacation this summer.

1973

Larry Horowitz lives in Laurel, MD, where he owns a sedan service. He has been married 21 years, and has two children; Dan, 17, and Rachel, 10. e-mail address: recase@usa.pipeline.com

Jon Silvis writes to us from Rocky River, OH, with a challenge: "Why can't every alumnus send in at least \$5 to the Alumni Association? That's not too much to ask (continued on page 20)"

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SPOTLIGHT on BOB GUGGENHEIMER

When **Bob Guggenheimer**, '43, watched the cows graze in **Major Roller's** meadow behind the Big Barracks, he had no idea that one day, he would be facing the male of the species in a bull ring.

Bob grew up in Baltimore, and finished AMA in the middle of World War II. He enlisted in the Navy, and after the War, graduated from Tulane. Bob went on to The Sorbonne and to the University of Madrid. He married a Spanish lady, and became a foreign correspondent for the International News Service (INS) in Madrid.

The sports beat

The INS Bureau Chief told Bob to cover Spain's economy, social life, and sports. *"I was delighted with economic and social news, but I knew nothing about soccer and bullfighting,"* Bob recalls. He got an official card that permitted him to attend all the fights in Real Madrid and Atletico Madrid, but he had no stomach for the sport.

His editor let it be known that Bob was not going to get out of covering the bullfights, so one Sunday, Bob attended a fight. *"I was sickened by the whole thing and certainly knew nothing about what was taking place,"* he says. *"But I had to do my job."*

One of Bob's Spanish colleagues had a friend who was willing to teach Bob all about bullfighting. Soon, every evening after the shops closed in Madrid, Bob and his new friend would go over the art of the bullfight; the passes, the movements, the traditions.

Fighting horns

"From there," said Bob, *"we graduated to 'fighting horns' mounted on wheels, and later we journeyed to bull farms to learn even more..."* Soon, Bob was actually fighting young bulls.

As time went on, Bob wrote more and more articles about the sport. He met the leading matadors, and was becoming comfortable with them, and

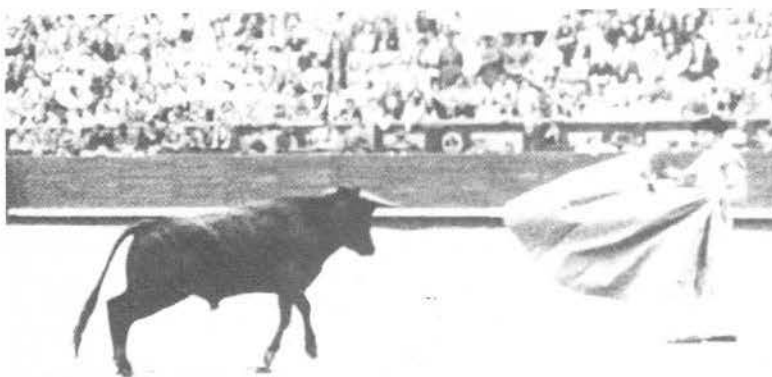
with their sport. One of the toreros who befriended Bob was Luis Miguel Dominguin. Bob would go to Toledo with Luis Miguel where he met many bullfighters, and picked up tips on how to overcome the male bovines of Spain. At Luis Miguel's urging, Bob fought a few times at local festivals.

The big time

But Luis Miguel told Bob that he would never know what bullfighting was all about unless he fought professionally. *"I told him I might do it some day, but I would never use my own name if I did,"* Bob recalls.

Early one Monday morning, Bob's phone rang. The caller said he was a newspaperman who wanted to interview Bob about his fight in the Madrid ring that weekend. Bob thought it was a joke, until he received a second press call.

When he got to his office that morning, he was greeted with huge posters that proclaimed, "The brave North American bullfighter Mister Robert Guggenheimer will appear in



Bob before a sold out audience in Madrid, 1953

the Monumental Bull Ring..." Bob says he was flabbergasted.

"But what could I do?," Bob asked. *"If I backed out, I would be thought a coward; nevertheless, to have my first real professional fight in the 'Cathedral of Bullfighting,' the Madrid ring, the most important in the world... was something no one in their right mind would do."*

The joke was on Bob, for sure. But at the time, he recalls, *"it seemed like a tragedy to me!"*



Waiting to enter the Madrid Bull Ring is Bob Guggenheimer, right, with two other matadors.

The ring was completely sold out, but Bob thought *"they are coming to laugh at me..."* Time/Life sent a photographer... Luckily, my wife was on vacation and knew nothing about it.

How did Bob do? *"Let's suffice it to say that I was not booed. I must not have been too bad because I was offered another fight in Madrid, and a number of others around Spain."*

When Bob was offered three fights in San Sebastian, *"my wife put her foot down. 'It's me, or the bulls!' So, I gave up professional*

bullfighting, although I did continue to take part in festivals and the like."

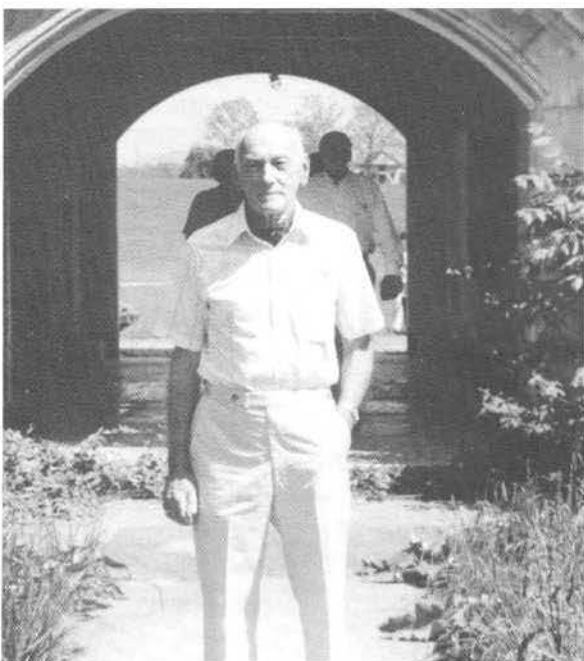
Bob continued to write about bullfighting, helped other young fighters get started, and was totally involved in bullfighting for many years. But today, when someone asks Bob if he ever fought El Toro, he answers, *"I am better known for throwing the bull."*

Today, Bob still lives in Madrid. A long way from Baltimore, and a long time since he watched the Roller cows grazing behind Big Barracks.

Tom Mitchell, '52, and V. P. Leavel, '39, at the Friday night cocktail party. V. P. arranged for the dedication of the airport conference room to the memory of Jack Manch, '38. Manch died in 1958 as he heroically steered his crippled plane away from populated areas near Las Vegas.



Les Higbee, '35, stands in the courtyard at Big Barracks. Les and his wife, Irene, past President of the National Senior Women's Tennis Association, hope to arrange a tennis tournament at the 1997 AMA Reunion.



Hap Starr, '51, stands (sits?) guard over the desert table at the Country Club of Staunton, at the Friday night dinner during the 1996 Reunion. At Saturday's banquet, Hap thanked Augusta alumni who have given him moral support following storm damage to his home in the Virgin Islands.



Lee Manch cuts the ribbon to open the Jacob E. "Shorty" Manch Conference Room at the Shenandoah Valley Regional Airport. The room honors Jack Manch, '38, one of the Doolittle raiders who bombed Tokyo at the beginning of World War II. Assisting is Airport Commissioner W.J. Haessly, of Staunton.

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Augusta Memories...

Walt Dyer, '41, explains how he got into journalism: "**Colonel Deane** truly was a great teacher. In my fourth and final year with graduation looming, I still didn't have the slightest idea of 'what I wanted to be.' I was in his English literature class, and he had observed me through the year. When my mother came for graduation, she met Colonel Deane, and, as a concerned parent, told him about my lack of direction. 'I know what I would do if he were my son,' he said. 'He would be a newspaper reporter. That boy has got the damdest curiosity of anyone I have ever known.'.. Looking back, I am not sure how he knew... I had never worked on the **Recall** or the **Bayonet**. Still, I took his advice, and after three years in World War II, I went on to graduate from the School of Journalism at the University of Missouri... had a long career as a newspaper reporter and editor, magazine editor, and many years as a public relations executive. I don't know what I might have done if there hadn't been a Colonel Deane."

Paul Edelman, '44, attended Augusta only one year, but he remembers several things "vividly, to this day, about First Captain **Dave Eborn, '44**. The first was his voice; the second was his stature; and third, that to me, a 'new boy' from the hills of Pennsylvania, on every occasion our paths crossed, he was the epitome of a Southern gentleman, a fine officer, and a tribute to Augusta Military Academy."

Jim Chezem, '48, says that "Many of us looked on AMA as our home as well as our school. In my case, it was my family, because I had lost mine. Without the strict insistence on high academic standards and personal conduct, I doubt that I would ever have gone to college... or had an Army career with a graduate degree."

John Duffey, '50, has "fond memories of the Roller Rifles, marching up and down the hills of Lynchburg, and in the Winchester Apple Blossom Festival."

George Detwiler, '50, says although he spent only one year at Augusta, "I find myself thinking back to those early morning formations in the dead of Winter with snow gently falling from troubled skies, and the sunsets of a renewing Spring behind the barracks... The letter from (AMA Legacy Scholarship recipient) Michael Yerkey reminded me of the spirit that will continue to live on though the buildings and grounds may be gone. For, as with a church, it is not the building, but the common faith and strength of the communicants. For AMA, it was the pride and loyalty learned in the classroom, on the parade ground, and on the playing fields that meant so much."

W. A. "Bugs" Hill, '51, recalls that, "I got a brand new nickname my very first day on the AMA rifle range: 'Shaky.' God bless **Major McWaters!**"

Manuel Balbis, '53, remembers that "**Alex Wattay** beat me for number one in the graduating class by two-tenths of a point... In every issue of *The Bayonet*, there is something to remind me of my years at AMA. You talk about **Duncan Wong**, and I remember that he and **Al Gonzalez** always had the best room (105) at Sunday Inspection. Or you mention **Sid Taylor**, and I remember that he had the highest IQ of anybody at AMA: 160. Or you mention **Walter Schimmel**, and I see him with **Bud Lafollette**... When I saw the news that **Paul Long** had passed away, I was truly saddened. Paul was my lieutenant, and he taught me how to shave when I was 15-years-old. The photo showed him with **Roger Messick** (where is he?) and **Doc Savedge** outside The Fort. It brought tears to my eyes. Doc Savedge! Best teacher I ever had..."

Duke Fancher, '58, was stationed at Arlington, VA in the Navy and **Gray Hume, '57**, was in the Army at Fort Meyer. "Gray is now deceased... but I saw a lot of him at AMA and later. We drove to Fort Defiance together for **General Roller's** funeral services."

Tom Phillips, '65, says that the "1965 **Recall** was the best yearbook I have ever seen... It was the centennial year at Augusta, and the book is chock full of photos going all the way back to when the cadets dressed like Yankee infantry from the 'Late Unpleasantness' of 1861-65... My daughter is on the staff of her high school yearbook, and their yearbook also has won awards. Her yearbook advisor borrows my 1965 **Recall** every year to show to the newcomers on her yearbook staff..."

Gary Sheffer, '66, recollects them serving "foot-long hot dogs in the Mess Hall, and drill with the old .03's in Harrisonburg... I remember **General Roller's** spelling bees, and his funeral... **Colonel McCue** and **Colonel Gardner** were special people... Colonel McCue's son came through the Marine Combat Engineers, where I was an E4, and I hope Colonel McCue didn't think I worked his son too hard!"

Larry Horowitz, '73, visited AMA in the Spring. "It was sad to see a NO TRESPASSING sign at the front entrance, and a bulldozer sitting on the blacktop... There are so many memories for all of us at that special place."



Thank You

These AMA alumni and friends have made financial contributions to the AMA Alumni Association since last year's reunion. Without their help, there would be no Bayonet. No mailing list update. No reunion. Thank you! If you haven't contributed, why not do so now?

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Francis J. Howard, '23

- 8 March 1996, at age 95, at home, in Hampton, VA. Attended AMA two years on athletic scholarship; US Merchant Marine; worked for NACA 1924-60. Survived by daughter, Mary Culotta, and six grandchildren.

E. Lee Trinkle, Jr., '30

- 12 May 1996, Roanoke, age 85. Hampden-Sydney; retired Vice President of General American Insurance Company. Survived by son, AMA Alumnus **E. Lee Trinkle, III, '53**, of Birmingham, AL, and a daughter, Sue

Cosby of Roanoke; sister, Helen Sue Stroud; brother, Billy; seven grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren.

Fenton D. Somerville, '37

- 7 March 1996, of a heart attack, Rapidan, VA. Former Rapidan postmaster; retired farmer. Attended University of Virginia, captain, boxing team; US Navy. Horse breeder and beef cattleman. AMA, Captain of C Company, 8th Astra, swim team, football, boxing, wrestling, valedictorian.

Harold E. Klepp, '40

- 27 September 1993, Kearny, NJ. World War II, 20th Armored Division, France and Germany. Survived by his wife, Eleanor, one daughter, and one son.

Seymour Wilks, '48

- 4 April 1993, of leukemia, Williamsburg, VA. Survived by his wife, Devera. Son, **Joel Wilks**, attended AMA, Class of 1978.

William "Rob" Nicol, '67

- 22 March 1996, of a heart attack, at age 47, Boston, MA. Rob was a US

Air pilot, and had flown into Boston the night before his death. Board member, AMA Alumni Association, Inc. University of Richmond; Kappa Sigma. President, Broad Rock Associates in Richmond. Survived by his wife, Marilyn, and a daughter, Casey Peyton Nicol, both of Richmond; his father, Henry Otto Nicol of Aruba, N.A.; his mother, Freida Nicol of University Park, MD; a sister, Elizabeth Nicol O'Marr of Mechanicsburg, PA; and a brother, **Henry Otto Nicol III** of Guatemala, C.A., AMA, Class of 1964.

John F. Dudley, '69

- 21 April 1996, at Wilmington, NC. Survived by his wife of 21 years, Flavia; a daughter, Jennifer, who graduates from high school this month; and a son, 14-year-old Andrew John, who is now in the 8th grade.

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Alumni deaths made known to us since the 1995 Reunion

'16, Harold Harvey, San Diego, CA, 1982

'21, Frank H. Hammond, Covington, VA, UNK

'23, Francis J. Howard, Hampton, VA, 8 Mar 96

'23, George W. Jones, Sun City, FL, 21 Aug 94

'24, Russell Bargamin, Jr., Dunedin, FL, UNK

'24, Charles Carnan, Jr., Charlottesville, 28 Feb 96

'26, Edgar Allen, III, Richmond, VA, 23 Aug 94

'26, L. E. Bentley, Jr., Bastrop, LA, 1989

'27, Edward M. Pryor, UNK

'28, J. M. Gamewell, Jr., Spencer, NC, 19 Dec 94

'28, Stephen Timberlake, Harrisonburg, 18 Jun 95

'29, John Neil M. Adam, 1989

'29, Henry F. Jacques, Phoenix, AZ, UNK

'30, James Davidson Adam, 1983

'30, Thomas J. Hughes, Roanoke, Va, 5 Dec 95

'30, James Louis Pryor, KIA in WW II

'30, E. Lee Trinkle, Jr., Roanoke, 12 May 96

'31, Dr. Thomas H. Alphin, Goshen, VA, 17 Sep 95

'31, Francis N. Harris, Jr., Eden, NC, 24 Dec 94

'31, Royston Jester, III, Lynchburg, VA, 1995

'32, Lyman Henry Dewey, Little Rock, AR, 1995

'32, Charles Payne, Pompano Beach, FL, 3 Feb 96

'33, Leslie C. H. Shomo, Harrisonburg, 12 Sep 95

'34, Preston Hodges, Westmoreland, VA, Oct 95

'34, John Osler McMillan, Charlottesville, Feb 96

'35, Martin G. Manch, Fairhope, AL, July 95

'36, James M. Andes, Staunton, 19 Sep 95

'37, Fenton Somerville, Mitchells, VA, 1996

'38, William O. Brubeck, Salem, VA, 12 Oct 93

'38, Hammond H. Snyder, Alexandria, VA, 1993

'38, Robert Loring Wilson, St. Petersburg, FL, 11 Jun 95

'39, Clyde L. Kinney, Bassett, VA, 10 Feb 54

'39, Francis G. Mesanko, Seaside Park, NJ, Mar 95

'40, Harold E. Klepp, Kearny, NJ, 27 Sep 93

'41, Arthur Eichelbaum, Manhattan Beach, CA, 1996

'44, Frederick W. Hope, Jr., Norfolk, VA, 6 Nov 92

'44, Burnley M. Tabakin, Norfolk, VA, 5 July 95

'45, Ernest Wasco, Robbinsville, NJ, 22 Dec 94

'48, Walton Z. Major, Florence, KY, 23 Dec 94

'48, Seymour Wilks, Williamsburg, VA, 4 Apr 93

'49, Frank Litton, North Cape May, NJ, Jul 95

'50, William Shepard, Selma, VA, 25 Apr 93

'51, Henry R. Harris, Davidsonville, NC, 3 May 94

'53, Ron A. Mahanes, Sunset, SC, 4 Jul 95

'55, Alfred Chalmers Ray, Ashland, VA, 1992

'60, Wade Hansborough, The Plains, VA, 26 Sep 94

'61, Neil MacIver, KIA, Vietnam, May 63

'67, William R. Nicol, Boston, MA, 22 Mar 96

'69, John F. Dudley, Wilmington, NC, 21 Apr 96

'70, John N. West, Chevy Chase, MD, Oct 93

'75, George A. Ralston, Bradenton, FL, 28 Feb 91

Thomas D. Amory, KIA, WW II

Joe Flesher, AMA cook, Fort Defiance, 1994

Taylor Livick, Roanoke, 30 May 94

James T. White, Lynchburg, UNK

Mrs. Richard E. Miller, '29, Annapolis, MD, 18 Feb 96

Anne Lou (Mrs. Will) Parkins, '35, 1 Feb 96



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Officers, Board elected for '96-'97

The officers and board listed above were chosen May 18 during the 1996 Reunion in Staunton.

Re-elected as officers were **Gary Nicholson, '70**, President; **Bob Bradford, '50**, Vice President; **Edwin F. Click, '50**, Treasurer; **Clyde Ramsey, '49**, Secretary; and **Bill Gray, '37**, Chaplain.

New board members (*) are **Garry Granger, '71**, **V.P. Leavel, Jr., '39**; **Alex Wattay, '53**, and **Rod Willey, '51**. Both Leavel and Willey served on the board previously.

PERSONAL EXCHANGE

LOOKING FOR A 1961 RECALL? GOT AN AMA SABRE YOU'D LIKE TO TRADE, OR SELL? LOOKING FOR YOUR OLD ROOMMATE? LOOK HERE, IN PERSONAL EXCHANGE

WANTED: AMA black belt and buckle. Ed Click, '50.

WANTED: 1962 Recall. Bill Horan, '62.

SEEKING: Film footage of the 1961 Roller Rifles drill, a dress parade, or the Cherry Blossom Festival. Will copy and return. John Elder, '61.

WANTED: 1930 issue of *The Recall*. Robert Harvey, '61.

WANTED: Recalls from 1969 and 1970.

Jim Piersall, Jr., '70.

WANTED: 1961 Recall. Bill Knox, Jr., '61.

SEEKING: Classmates from my era at AMA. Carlos Guevara, '79.

SEARCHING FOR: Eddy Fernandez, '53. He was in the Bay of Pigs Invasion with Oswald "Coyote" Ferro.

Can you help with any of the items listed in this month's Personal eXchange? If so, please contact:

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Faculty Facts

Colonel Paul Hoover is back home from the hospital after having suffered a bout with pneumonia. He is always delighted to hear from any of his students. You can call him at 717/397-2624. Or write him at 436 West Chestnut, Lancaster, PA.

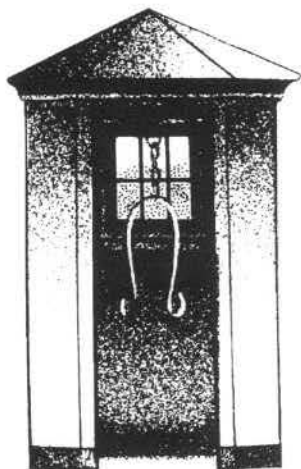
Colonel Will Parkins, '35, attended several events at the 1996 AMA

Reunion. He began working at AMA 1 March 1946, the day he was released from the Army after World War II, and remained at the school until he retired in 1978. We were sorry to hear that Will's wife of 49 years, **Anne Lou Parkins**, passed away 1 February.

Master Sergeant Joe Josephson has retired as Commandant of Miller School. He spent ten years at AMA (1969-79) as Senior Army Instructor, and head football and basketball coach. Josephson's Augusta teams won the Virginia Independent Conference in two of the three years that he coached in the league.

Glenn Koogler still lives in Mount Sidney. He is very proud of a grandson who plays varsity football at Clemson. Two other grandsons are at Virginia Tech, and a granddaughter will attend Tech this fall. Another granddaughter is a high school freshman. Glenn says "AMA had the finest and best boys I could ever hope to teach or to coach."

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It was way back in 1983 when the guardhouse gong last called cadets to get news from the Officer of the Day. In 1996, former cadets are still looking for news.

Repeatedly, AMA alumni tell us that what they most want to see in *The Bayonet* is news about what other AMA alumni are doing. Please send us news about yourself today - job, retirement, family, travel, etc. It's all NEWS to the other guys!

Your name _____ Class _____ e-mail address _____
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(Use additional paper, if necessary. Sharp photos are welcomed, and will be returned)

Class Notes (from page 12)

of anyone. Call your friends, and let's see if we can do it!"

1975

Steve Hemphill checks in with a new e-mail address. Steve lives in Reston, VA, a Washington suburb. Address: SdnDriver@aol.com

1976

Kirk Pope sends the word from Okinawa that he looks forward to hearing from his classmates on e-mail: popekj@ns.oon.or.jp

1979

Carlos Guevara owns a natural health products business in Miami. Address: 12016 SW 110 Street Cir. South, Miami, FL 33186.

GOT 32¢? That's all it takes to drop a note to *The Bayonet* to tell us what you're up to. Inquiring alumni want to know!

Leatherman wins AMA Legacy Scholarship

(from page 7)

Albert is one of two West Virginia students to be appointed by the Governor to an 80-member panel to achieve education reform in the state by the Year 2000.

Diverse interests

Jogging, public speaking, music, hiking, camping, skiing, and bicycling are some of Albert's interests. He has invented an antilock braking system for bicycles, and has worked with the West Virginia University School of Medicine investigating vaccines or cures for cancer.

"I hope to become a physician meeting the needs of underprivileged areas of West Virginia Appalachia," says Albert. "Poppy has taught me to replace peer pressure with self-confidence... As he reassured my grandmother that my dad could still see us, my religious faith grew."

Alumni Association President **Gary Nicholson, '70**, said, *"Albert is a deserving recipient of the Legacy Scholarship, representing, as he*

does, all the good things our Augusta stands for." The scholarship is given annually to the child or grandchild of an AMA alumnus.

May AMA Board Actions

- Received the Treasurer's report.
- Heard from General Counsel **Bob Rhea, '47**, that the Association may be the beneficiary of the will of the late Gladys Dobson, of Richmond.
- Selected May 2-3 as the weekend for the 1997 AMA Reunion.
- President **Gary Nicholson, '70**, appointed **Paul Bratton, '48** and **Frank Spencer, '49**, to determine if females in the VMI Leadership Program at Mary Baldwin are eligible to receive the VMI scholarships sponsored by the AMA Alumni Association.
- Received motion from Nominating Committee Chairman **Lewie Kennett, '72**, that all Association officers be re-elected. Passed. (See page 18)
- Welcomed four new board members **Garry Granger, '71, V.P. Leavel, '39, Alex Wattay, '53**, and **Rod Willey, '51**, who will serve until July 1, 1999. (See page 18)



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